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REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Customer Window, Mail Stop Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window Randolph Building, Mail Stop Amendment 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2008 and the Advisory

Action mailed August 22, 2008, for which a one month extension of time to respond is
hereby requested, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.